FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 21, Revised

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 21 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Chapter 47 to Title 15, which enacts the "Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act". This Bill provides procedures for the Clerk of Courts to follow in the handling foreign subpoenas and the discovery of information located out-side the State.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Judicial Department indicates this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Pursuant to Section 2-7-76 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, the Office of State Budget has surveyed members of the FIST Network. *Four counties responded and indicated the fiscal impact on their operations would be minimal.*

SPECIAL NOTES:

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The italicized portion of this impact indicates the items that have been revised. For this impact, the revised constitutes information that was not available in the original impact.

Approved by:

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